

*Gerald Manley Hopkins*

# I HAVE DESIRED TO GO

I have desired to go  
Where springs not fail,  
To fields where flies no sharp and sided hail,  
And a few lilies blow.

And I have asked to be  
Where no storms come,  
Where the green swell is in the havens dumb,  
And out of the swing of the sea.

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